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ABSTRACT

This anthology contains 47 papers on college student affairs administration, focusing on current issues, trends, and research in the field of student affairs administration. Articles in Part 1, "Foundations of Student Affairs Administration," provide an overview of the past and present of college student affairs, including the evolution of the field over time, implications of the past for the present and future, and the place of student affairs in the development of higher education in the United States. Part 2, entitled "Contexts of College Student Affairs Administration," includes articles on the influence of external contexts and constituencies of higher education, descriptions of institutional structures and cultures within which student affairs exists, and general discussion of the characteristics and needs of undergraduates. Part 3, "The Educational Practice of College Student Affairs Administration," focuses on the responsibilities and concerns of student affairs professionals, including student learning and development, community development, reflective practice, and research and assessment. Part 4, "Professional Development in College Student Affairs Administration," focuses on the development of new professionals, professional ethics, and involvement in professional associations and activities. Some articles include references. A list of additional readings is appended. (MDM)

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